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REMARKS

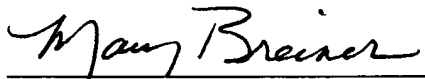
The captioned application is the U.S. National phase of International Application No. PCT/IT2004/000682. The present amendment to the claims is to better conform the claims to U.S. patent practice, e.g. correction of multiple dependencies, provision of proper antecedent basis, etc. None of the amendments are intended to narrow the substance of the claims, but rather are simply to address matters of form. It is noted that new claims 43 and 44 correspond to 22/21 and 23/21, respectively.

Additionally, applicants are submitting herewith a supplemental declaration setting forth the date of execution of the declaration. The declaration as originally filed omitted the date of execution.

Favorable consideration of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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